

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 516 – SB 537

February 21, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires hospitals licensed by the Department of Health or by the Department of Mental Health to include a report on community benefits provided by the hospitals in the joint annual report of the statistical particulars submitted to the Department of Health.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Under current law, licensed hospitals are required to provide a joint annual report to the Department of Health within 150 days after the end of each individual hospital's fiscal year. Any increase in state expenditures as a result of adding the proposed information to the report will not be significant and can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- The Department of Health will meet with interested community agencies to develop questions concerning community benefits, revise the paper copy of the survey, program the electronic data entry system and database, and analyze and report the data. Any resulting increase in expenditures will not be significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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